

Application No. 10/629,114  
Response dated DECEMBER 29, 2004  
Reply to Restriction Requirement dated December 13, 2004

### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants have carefully reviewed the office action dated December 13, 2004. In the Office Action, the Examiner requires restriction to one of three groups:

Group I, claims 1-24 and 41-64, directed to an apparatus and method of using an elongated tubular member having first and second deployable structures.

Group II, claims 25-40 and 65-80, directed to an apparatus and method of using a catheter and an elongated core member.

Group III, claim 81, directed to a method for treating a blood clot in a cranial blood vessel.

In response to this requirement, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-24 and 41-64, without traverse. It is respectfully submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. Issuance of a Notice of Allowance in due course is requested. If a telephone conference might be of assistance, please contact the undersigned attorney at (612) 677-9050.


Respectfully submitted,

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